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1. About the beginning of January 1953 the Kreis leadership of the National Democratic Party (NDP) in Magdeburg received instructions from the SED to make ready for a new assignment of posts in the city administration. The NDP was instructed to make as many nominations as possible, since it was assumed that the CDU and the LDP are no longer able or willing to fill all the positions which are allotted to them. Therefore the Kreisverband of the NDP Magdeburg handed in a list of about forty nominations for administrative posts.
2. Before the nominations are discussed and decided upon officially in the Democratic Bloc, they must all be talked over confidentially with the Kreis leadership of the SED, in order to prevent disagreements from arising in the Bloc meeting which have not been settled in advance with the SED.
3. It was planned that the NDP should provide a full-time deputy for each of the six boroughs. In addition, the NDP was to supply several part-time or honorary officials for each borough. For the newly established borough organizations the NDP was to nominate 11 persons as members of the borough councils, while the NDP delegation in the city assembly was to be strengthened by the appointment of six additional members.
4. All the persons selected for these positions were expected to advocate socialism and to show no "bourgeois tendencies".

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